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SUBJECT: CODEL EAGLETON

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- 1. DCM AND EMBOFF CALLED AT THE MFA TO COORDINATE AND FURTHER DEVELOP PLANS FOR CODEL EAGLETON VISIT ATHENS AUG 18-20. THE INFORMATION SUPPLEMENTS PRIOR INFO CONTAINED REFTELS A AND B.
- 2. THE MFA HAS CONFIRMED TO US THAT PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS WILL BE MOST PLEASED TO MEET WITH SENATOR EAGLETON BUT ADDS THAT THE PRIME MINISTERS SCHEDULE STILL HAS NOT BEEN FIXED FOR THE PERIOD THE SENATOR WILL BE IN ATHENS. WE WILL ADVISE WHEN KNOWN.
- 3. FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS REGRETS THAT HE MOST LIKELY WILL BE OUT OF TOWN DURING SENATOR 'S VISIT. MFA SUGGESTS HOWEVER THAT IF IT IS AGREEABLE TO THE SENATOR, UNDER SECRETARY CONSTANTINE STAVROPOULOS (NO 2 IN MFA) WOULLD RECEIVE THE SENATOR. IT WAS MADE CLEAR TO US NEVERTHELESS THAT SHOULD BITSIOS CHANGE HIS PLANS AND BE IN ATHENS HE WOULD MOST HAPPILY SEE THE SENATOR.
- 4. THE MFA HAS BEEN UNABLE TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH ANDREAS PAPANDREOU WHO WILL BE OUT OF THE CITY AT THE TIME OF THE VISIT.

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5. THE MFA HAS ARRANGED FOR SENATOR EAGLETON TO CALL

UPON DEFENSE MINISTER AVEROFF, AT 1100 REPEAT 1100 AUG 20 AT AVEROFF'S OFFICE AT GREEK PENTAGON. AT APPROXIMATELY 1330 THE SAME DAY UNDER SECY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WILL OFFER A LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF SENATOR EADLETON AND SENATOR PELL. VIRGINIA TSOUDEROS HAS PROCEEDED WITH HER PLANS TO HOST A DINNER FOR SENATOR EAGLETON AUG 18 AT A RESTAURANT NEAR THE ACEOPOLIS, FOLLOWING COCKTAILS AT HER APARTMENT (THIS LATTER EVENT TO COMMENCE AT 1930).

6. RE PARA TWO REFTEL: WE HAVE CUT PROPOSED TRIP BACK TO NO MORE THAN A TWO HOUR DRIVE ALONG SCENIC SEASHORE ROUTE TO SOUNION FROM 1000 TO 1200 AUG 19, AND ELIMINATED VISIT TO LAVRION CENTER. THIS TRIP, IS OF COURSE SUBJECT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SENATOR'S OTHER APPOINTMENTS WITH GREEK OFFICIALS. SUBJECT TO THE SAME PROVISIONS WE WOULD NOW PLAN TO HOLD AN EMBASSY BRIEFING FOR THE SENATOR AT 1000 AUG 18 AND SCHEDULE HIS MEETING WITH AMERICAN EMPLOYEES AT 1500 AUG 18 AT THE EMBASSY. KUBISCH

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